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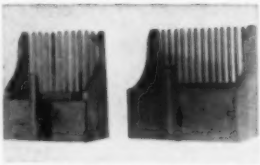

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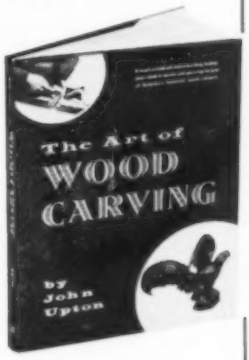

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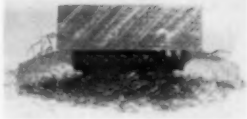

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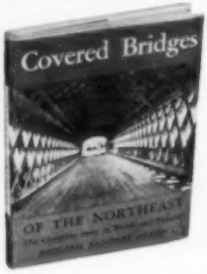

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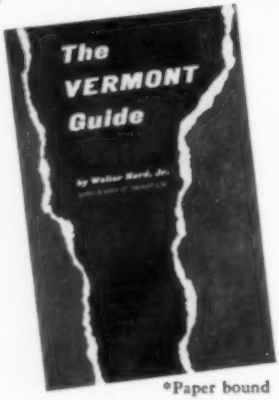

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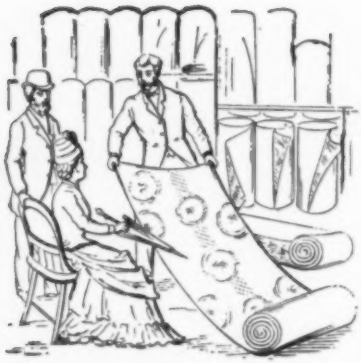

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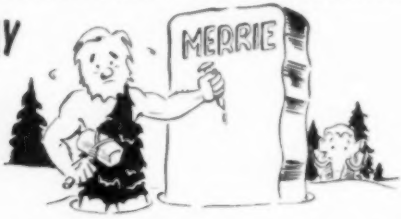

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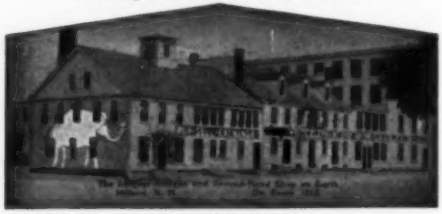

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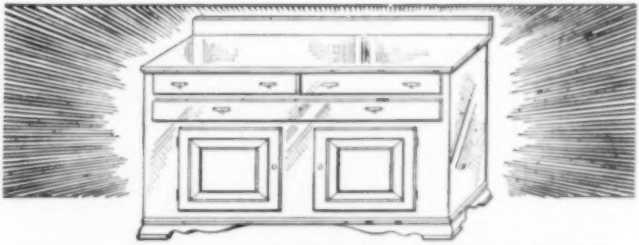

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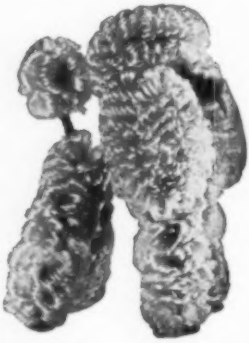

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►*R. I.: Dear Oracle:* I enjoy your sayin's, so I am sending you a Father's Day card, as you no doubt are a father. If not, I should judge it is too late now. G. E. C.

Answer: Our thanks to you for the Father's Day card. Also for your surmise. We are a father, and a grandfather, which two generations we have "learnt to hand, reef and steer." Maybe none of 'em will ever qualify for skipper of the Ship of State, but they'll make darned good deck-hands and you may lay to that.

►*New York: Dear Oracle:* You gave me such a good, clear and full answer to my last question, "when is a ship a ship," now tell me why figureheads were put on ships. A. G.

Answer: Dear Ann: The actual beginning of the use of figureheads on ships, so far as research shows, dates from a time when few men could read and write. Various people, in different parts of the known world of the time named a ship for a god or goddess, an animal or what-have-you, and carved a representation of the head and perhaps body as well, to decorate the bow of the ship and serve to identify it.

From this there developed the finer art of figurehead-making, and even to the painting of letters or figures on the sails. You will note that many historical ships not only carried their names painted or carved on bow and stern, but had figureheads representative of the name, such as "Commodore—" "Sprite" etc. Some of these were to be found on sailing ships as recently as World War One.

The principal reason why they are no longer seen is because the design of most modern ships does not lend itself to the carrying of such figures. Unprotected, as many of them would be, they would not only look awkward, but could easily be torn or broken off.

►*N. Y.: Dear Oracle:* We have a pair of the most beautiful geese you ever saw! I want so much to herd them, as I have read so much about it and besides, I have the cutest costume to wear when I do it. But they refuse to go where I want them to, and when I urge them they turn around and make the most threatening noises! Besides they flap their wings and hiss! How can I train them to be driven? Maisie.

Answer: Maisie, we mistrust that what you really want to do is go on parade and geese don't like parades. The real essence of good, successful goose-herding is to let the critters go where they want to go. All you do is follow along.

►*Ont. Canada: Dear Oracle:* I am mostly the strong man, but when I pull the turnip, by gar, she make the back to ache! She is too far down on the ground, that's why. How then can I make the turnip to grow up instead of the down, and not so deep on the ground? Please tell! Pierre La Flamme

Answer: If you put a rock under 'em before you plant the seed, it ought to help, but if it was us, we would pry 'em out with a bar.

►*Del.: Dea. Oracle:* I figure that there is something wrong with lumbermen and carpenters and the rest. About shingles now, one end is thin and the other one, thick. Everybody puts them on so that the thick end is down, and shows. I tried some the other way and you have no idea how much better they look! I have applied for a patent on the idea, but how should I go to work to convince other people that the idea has real merit? That is where I want your advice. M. M.

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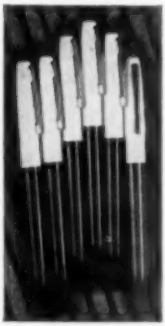

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bolized also by the portico of the Third Congregational Church of Litchfield, Connecticut, as it turns to the nearing sun, resplendent and dignified. The autumn sun seems to have a way of rendering all things in a new and clear light.

Sun worshippers? No. But there's something about October sun which leads to curling up in it as if partaking of a surplus nature which bygone geraniums no longer need. A sunset at Menemsha, Martha's Vineyard, brings a solemn promise that Spring will be back again next year, despite October's hint of winter to come.

by Francis W. Hatch

A Down East Western

You wouldn't look for a lobster pot in Laramie or Leadville. Much less would you expect to scuttle for cover behind an elm tree on the main street of Bucksport, Maine, while a down east desperado indulged in some plain and fancy gun play.

Old-timers have told me how they remembered sixty years ago the town suddenly going loco. But their accounts, probably embroidered by the needle of time, differed widely. The loan of an old scrap book from a neighbor's attic has wiped away the cobwebs. For here, stuck down with flour and water paste, are clippings which give eye witness reporting of the fracas.

It was in May, 1898, the same spring when the Navy Department, incredibly enough, sewed a mine field across the Penobscot River at Bucksport narrows. Potomac fever of the day had caused Washington alarmists to take no chances. There was evidently grave worry lest the Spanish fleet steam up Penobscot Bay, pulverize Bucksport, and sweep up river to bring Bangor to her knees.

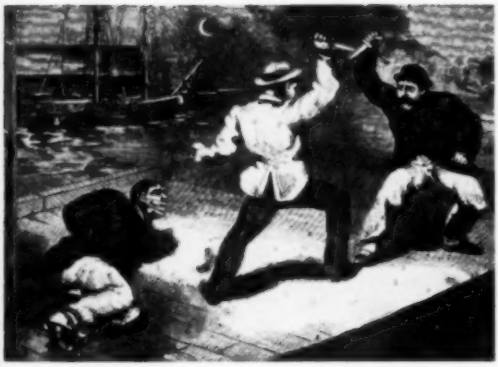
Mines or no mines, the humble trade of fishing had to go on. Down at the Bucksport waterfront lay twenty-five tough little schooners of the Nickerson fleet fitting out for the first spring trip to the Grand Banks. Their crews were made up largely of Nova Scotians, big hulking men who were of a mind to look out for their own business and stay out of trouble. But spring being spring, and with the prospect of two months of incessant pulling, hauling and living in the foggy, dreary Banks, they had their eyes open for a good time. In the Post Office they spotted the announcement of a dance in the neighboring village of Orland. With ears cocked for the scrape of the fiddle and the swish of a skirt, a party of these raw-boned Romeos set out on foot.

On the dance floor it seems that the young ladies welcomed the spring run of fresh new partners with open arms. Their delight was so unadulterated that one Joseph Mank, a firm believer in "Orland for Orlanders" couldn't take it. Like Tim Toolan who, in the famous old chanty, "mopped up Odd Fellows Hall," Mank stepped outside and armed himself with a rock. Back on the floor he sidled up to John McLamion, a particularly successful waltzer, and struck him a heavy blow on the head. Down went McLamion with a gashed scalp. In the confusion Mank made his getaway.

After first aid had been provided for McLamion, dancing was resumed. With the playing of "Good Night Ladies," an hour later, the fishermen trudged off, having learned that Mr. Mank's house was conveniently on the main road to Bucksport. Arriving there, they surrounded the place and demanded that Mank show himself or else they would break every window. Mrs. Mank, somewhat of a Barbara Frietchie, was so eloquent in her appeal for law and order and apologies for her husband that the party finally left.

That might have been the end of it. For, next morning, the fishermen were hard put, stowing gear, shoveling rock salt into bunkers, mending rigging and loading salt pork, molasses and hard tack for dreary meals ahead.

Not so, however, in Mank's book. Toward noon he swaggered down Bucksport's main stem, grumbling that he had a score to settle with the "Bankers." Cautious citizens warned him not to tangle with the visitors who were said to be in an ugly mood. Mank, scorning this advice, said he could take care of himself and, to back it up, patted his hip pocket significantly. As he arrived in front of the mas-



sive old "Robinson House," the town inn, an Uncle Tom's Cabin Company was forming ranks for its traditional street parade. At the head a brass band, next a company of gaudily uniformed colored minstrels, followed by Uncle Tom, Eva and Legree riding in an open carriage. Bringing up the rear the drooping, sad-eyed bloodhounds, each held by a heavy gilt leash in their keeper's grasp.

Simultaneously with the first flourish of brass, Mank's presence was discovered by one of the "Bankers." Reinforcements rushed up from the waterfront and Mank was surrounded by angry fishermen. Hot words were followed by kicks and blows. Mank drew a revolver with a curse and a flourish. Three shots broke the marching tempo of the band as spectators skedaddled for cover behind the elms. Without giving him time to re-load, the fishermen pursued Mank through the ranks of the parade, scattering minstrels, musicians and bloodhounds.

According to the newspaper account, Bucksport police were far from the battle ground. One was "plowing Mrs. Harrigan's garden." Another was "doing some whitewashing up on Pine Street." And the Chief was "hauling coal somewhere." Deputy Sheriff A. H. Gunn, however, heard the firing and rushed to the scene. In the name of the State of Maine he called on Mr. Louis Tapley and both gave chase to a fisherman named O'Toole who had captured Mank's revolver and was making off with it to the waterfront. O'Toole was rounded up in the forecastle of his schooner and marched off to the lockup.

Meanwhile, what remained of Mank had been dragged from the mob and deposited in Dr. Emerson's office to prevent extermination. Added to his galaxy of bruises from kicks and blows were assorted lacerations from jagged glass. During the ceremonies he had been propelled through the window of the front office of the local newspaper, "The Bucksport Eagle." Seldom has an editor received so forceful a demand for page one!

A tally of the three revolver shots showed that the first had pierced the hand of Banker O'Toole. The second, all but lethal, had plowed a three-inch furrow fore and aft along Mank's scalp. The third had whistled into the air.

On the following Wednesday Judge E. E. Chase transferred his Western Hancock Municipal Court to Bucksport for a final shakedown, in two sections, "The State vs. Joseph Mank for assault with a dangerous weapon," and "The State vs. O'Toole and McLamion upon complaint of Joseph Mank for assault and battery."

Prior to the trial there were said to be dozens of eye witnesses who rendered blow by blow accounts of the scrimmage. In the words of the "Eagle's" reporter, however, "on the witness stand it was different, very different. Some twenty witnesses were examined and they were a grand demonstration of the erratic turns and eccentricities of the human memory. No one seemed to have anything but a vague and shadowy dream of 'Bankers,' Mank, bloodhounds, broken glass, Uncle Tom's Cabin band, banging of a revolver, etc. No one seemed to know who hit anyone else or if anyone was hit at all. When it was all over the Judge heaved a profound sigh and said of all the courts over which he had ever presided, he had gained the least real and satisfactory knowledge from this one."

A testimonial epitaph was given by one of the dusky visitors, a master of the tambourine in the Uncle Tom's Cabin company. His summation—"Golly, dis yam a hot old town fo suah!"

THE SCRAPBOOKS WERE FRAYED AND yellow. Lillian Gish, Richard Barthelmess, Betty Bronson, Mary Pickford, Corinne Griffith—all the stars of Hollywood's youth looked out from the dusty pages. Turning them with pride and nostalgia was Larry Carroll of Waterbury, Vermont, once the youngest theatre manager in the country, and a familiar figure in show business all over New England for over twenty years.

He was a long way from home—to be exact, in a little movie house in the middle of a frowsy, beat-up neighborhood in Los Angeles, which he has managed with spectacular success since 1939. "This is a 'grind house'," he explained, as I sat down in the cluttered office behind the projection room, the odor of popcorn drifting up from the theatre below, and the sound track plainly audible. "We're open *every day* from noon to midnight. A grind house."

"Was it different back east?"

Carroll lolled in a creaky swivel chair, played with a paper knife, and looked down the years. "It sure was. Those were the days of real promotion. Everything was an adventure. Even when I was in High School I put on shows. I had met Houdini and gotten bit by the magic bug. And I played piano for the silent movies, and learned to run a projector. Why, by the time I was out of school I was offered a chance to buy into The Opera House in Lancaster, New Hampshire. (We had moved there when I was a kid.) I did too. I was only sixteen."

I scribbled notes above the roar of a train from the projection room, and a crescendo from the orchestra. There was a lot more I wanted to know.

I learned that running a theatre in those days meant travelling to neighboring towns with a projector and two-reel films. Between reels Larry would put on a few sleight-of-hand tricks with coins or cards, doubling in brass as few theatre managers have had to do before or since.

For a while he tried selling films out of Bangor, Maine for the old General Film Co. Mary Pickford was the star of Biograph in those days, and Pearl White was being tortured through miles of serials. When the company folded he joined the Black Circuit, managing the new (1919) Bangor Opera House. It was the theatre that broke the jump on all the shows coming out of New York and Boston on their way to Montreal. Remember William Courtenay, Sally, Irene & Mary, and *Way Down East* with the Gish sisters? They all stopped off at the Opera House at Larry's invitation, adding zest to the movie programs and shekels to the till.

When he moved to New Haven to manage the Rialto he didn't know he was running smack into disaster. The second worst fire in theatre history (nothing has ever equalled the Iriquois Fire in Chicago in 1913) broke out back stage during a showing of *The Shiek* with Rudolph Valentino. In seconds the place was hotter than the Sahara. Carroll, out front, heard the screams and saw the smoke. He did what he could, but ten people perished, countless others injured. The stage manager's hair turned white overnight. In the

An Out-West

Carroll stands before his "grind house."

long litigation that followed, Carroll was fined $1,000 for criminal negligence. The real villain, owner Black, was safely out of reach in Massachusetts, not daring even to lean over the Connecticut line to spit.

For Carroll all this was a heart-breaking experience, but it didn't keep him out of show business. From 1931 to 1934 he worked for the William P. Gray circuit in Lewiston, Maine, at the Princess theatre in Berlin, New Hampshire, and at the Majestic and Flynn theatres in Burlington, Vermont. He founded the Kiddies Club at the Flynn, putting on special shows for them for a dime before the regular Saturday matinees. He taught groups of them to sing, and at Christmas time took them all over town singing carols. Membership cards, tags, special gifts—all were part of the promotion of a theatre in those days.

"How do the kids figure in it today?" I asked.

Carroll grinned. "It's quite a story. When I first came to this theatre, after trying San Diego in 1934 ('You from New England?' they'd ask me. 'Wherezat?') I was told I might as well not expect a regular audience on Friday nights because the Westlake Gang would take the place over, and nobody else dared get within two blocks of it. Well, just like they said, the first Friday came around and these tough kids marched in, fitted out with brass knuckles, knives, and God knows what else. You shoulda heard the racket. I stood it for fifteen minutes, then I called the cops. Out they went on their rear ends, the most surprised bunch of juvenile delinquents you ever saw. Next Friday—same thing. Same squad cars, same bum's rush. For four weeks this went on. They were takin' bets in the neighborhood on which of us would win. On the fifth Friday night I was standing by the box office with the corner cop, waiting to see what would happen. The leader of the gang, a slick-haired guy with fancy pants, came up to me. 'If I make my boys behave, willya let us back in?' I looked him in the eye—a mighty steely one too. 'If you'll guarantee their good behavior, yes. But one peep from anybody and out you go—*for the last time.*'"

Carroll laughed softly in remembrance. "Do ya know? Those kids were the best behaved bunch you ever saw. Not a bit of trouble from that day on. Later they went to war, came out, got married, had families. Most of them came back to see me and show off their kids. They're some of my best friends."

Carroll's most pressing problem today is a switch: he can't get *old* enough films for his theatre. He doesn't want first-runs—he prefers them about five years old, but television, darn it, has bought them up!

Amazingly enough, Carroll has never been back to New England since he left it twenty-four years ago. His tough six days-a-week schedule is his excuse. "Anyway, I like it here. And every time I pick up a new issue of *Variety* another one of my pals is gone. You can't go back, really."

Above a piercing soprano scream from the sound track I asked, "Good picture?"

"I guess so. Doing good business. But I almost never get to see the show. Too busy!"

Easterner

by JEAN BURDEN

Carroll ran this newspaper ad in 1927.

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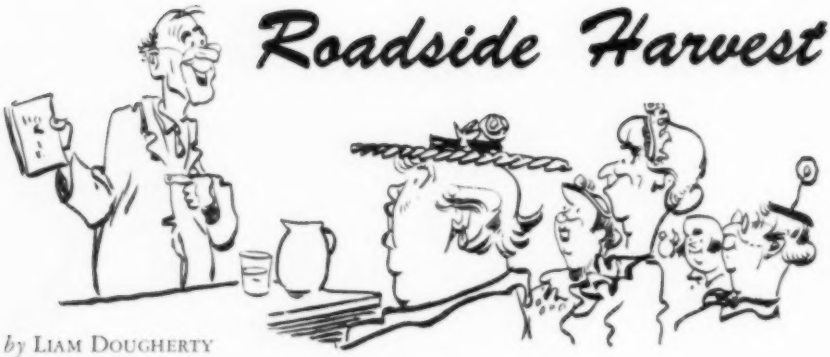
Yesterday

& Today

Opposite page: The Updike House, 1660, in Wickford, Rhode Island, was originally a block house. Above and below: The Hazard House, 1730, South Kingston, Rhode Island, now Narragansett.

Roadside Harvest



by LIAM DOUGHERTY

Madame Chairman and Garden Club ladies:

Autumn's ball of flame has passed us by, leaving in its wake the last and, to us, the most interesting fruits of the season —cones, the berries, the grasses and the pods.

Out of this harvest of a dying year, we are going to create an ordered loveliness. We are going to supply it with a style and content foreign to it in its natural state.

Those of you who have read my book —and those who have not may be interested in browsing through a copy, which you will find on a table by the door as you leave—and have heeded its recommendations, by now have your cellars, attics, closets and other dark places full of fascinating things which simply cry out for arrangement. All of these have been hanging, head downward, bunched in large paper sacks to prevent them from collecting dust or fading.

To work with, then, we should have, among others, teasel, button weed, wild monarda, wild artemesia, penstemons, hemerocallis, bocconia, eryngium and achillea. If you lack any of these, you must use your ingenuity to make up the deficiency—possibly with pine cones.

And improvise, I beg you. I insist! Improvise at every opportunity, whether your grouping is modern or traditional. This will put the *you* into your work and take it out of the assembly line of slavish imitation. It is in this way that you will happen upon the new twist, the fresh idea. For one day, *tout a coup*, as the French say, you will step back from your creation and you will KNOW. You will recognize at once that here is a magical and timeless thing.

I might digress a moment here to speak about husbands, as their attitude toward what we are trying to do is the most frequent topic of the informal notes that come up to the rostrum in the question and answer period following my little talks. You all want to know how husbands can fit into our work. Here is my thinking on the subject. I think husbands can be most important in the early or acquisitive stages of what I like to think of as our annual autumn drama. They can help to gather; they can bring in the sheaves. As many of you have learned, the wearing of trousers eliminates many of the natural distractions of gathering, especially among the grasses.

Husbands are natural scavengers, and you should use this masculine trait to your advantage. You may discover that, at first, they feel too old for this sort of thing, or that they may have some slight trepidation about contradicting NO TRESPASSING signs. But this, I will assure you, can be overcome in time if you will only remain persistently firm. Soon they will find themselves caught up in the spirit of the thing and then there is no holding them back. You may have a few barbed-wire rents to mend in their trousers, but this can be balanced against your memory of

the merry times that were had while they were being acquired. So much for husbands.

If we have time, I would like to run through one arrangement quickly to stimulate your imagination and to bring into the fold any among you who may be the least bit skeptical.

To begin, I always like to take something different, something striking, as my point of departure. This can be anything, but let us take a common item about any back yard these days—an old length of grapevine which has outlived its usefulness. This will be our *piece de resistance.*

With one end securely fastened in a sturdy earthenware pot or bowl, the other end can be tacked to the ceiling. This will, even by itself, lend a fresh interest to an otherwise dull living room at once. It will also afford us a generous opportunity for latitudinal development, the ceiling itself, you see, being the only limit to your imaginitive genius if it should tend toward extremes.

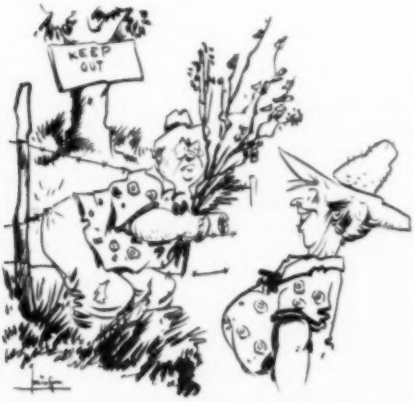
I might caution you at this point to make certain that you have sprayed all your dry materials, especially the grasses, with one of the fire-proofing mixtures obtainable in any hardware store. Sometimes a neatly lettered card in front of the arrangement, bearing the legend FLAMMABLE, may be a good idea if you have not done so.

In this regard, I think of the husband of one of my former friends who had a strange habit of spraying my arrangements with kerosene when company was expected, and later encouraging the guests to drop their cigarettes in them. Although this is an extreme example, and I do not wish to frighten you, it is always best to be on the safe side.

Now, where were we? Oh, yes, with the grapevine. I might pause a moment here to interject that a grapevine is always sure-fire for the bridge-party arrangement. Its symbolism of the occasion is a note of levity, which is good, and if this goes unnoticed, it can be surreptitiously pointed out and then it will be quickly appreciated by the girls, who will talk about it for weeks.

Well, it seems that my time has more than run out and there is still so much left unsaid. But then, there always is when one talks about the infinite. I did so want to tell you about some of the interesting arrangements I have been doing lately to fit the particular personalities of my clients.

Perhaps I have time to mention just one which I did for a dear lady recently, a lady who is (*Continued on page 82*)



Some husbands can be trained nicely, but you have to keep an eye out for others!

The Basques: Maine's Real Pioneers?

by Roy W. Nickerson

Ever since Maine poet Henry W. Longfellow wrote about a certain skeleton in armor, New Englanders have had an uneasy feeling that Columbus wasn't the first white man to see America. It's sort of an unamerican feeling which such people as Bostonians ignore completely. After all, Columbus Day has been a Tradition in America for quite a while, and we can't have people going around upsetting traditions.

Then, too, there's a school of thought that says Vikings hit the Yankee Coast before Chris even knew that Queen Isabella had a jewel to her name. Historical facts have been piling up so thick and fast to support this theory, that even the Cabots might acknowledge that the Norse could be Nice People.

Let me tell you, however, about the people who actually told Columbus where America was, so he could sail on and discover it.

Sound far fetched? Not at all. I know the country where these people came

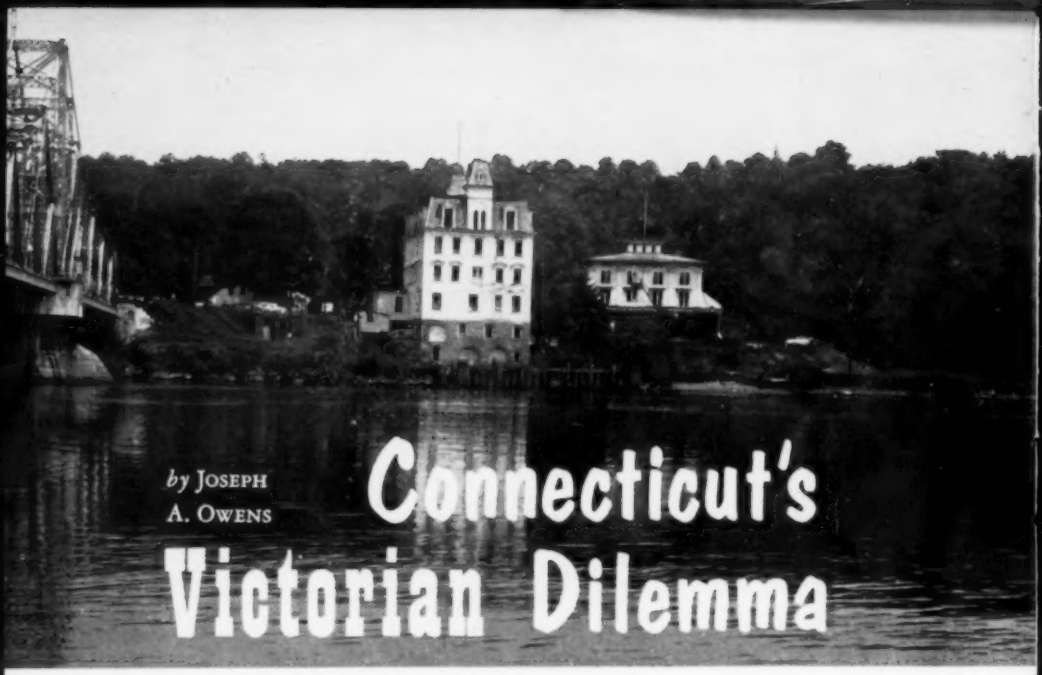
Opposite page: Home in the Spanish port of Zumaya, a Basque crew relaxes after a day of fishing. One man is seen finishing off the bota *or wine skin. Above: The beautiful Basque Pyrenees have produced the men who now are shepherds in America.*

from, I know their descendants well—I've lived among them for a long time, and I know why they haven't made more noise about their own historical importance. They're just too busy. They are hard workers, out to make an honest living. They aren't Discoverers; it doesn't pay too well.

These honest and industrious people are called Basques. They live today in a mentally independent state which in realistic politics is partially Spain and part France. There are four provinces in northern Spain, four in southern France, bordering the Atlantic and the Bay of Biscaye and working inland to the rugged Pyrenees, known as the Basque Provinces. It's elemental mathematics to see that there are eight Basque Provinces—except over there they say there are only seven. Two of them, one in France and one in Spain geopolitically, have the same name—Navarre. So, to the Basques, that's one province.

My Basque friends are famous both as sheepherders and as fishermen. As fishermen, they were more adventurous. In this century, the sheepherders have wandered as far as Utah, California and Arizona where they are highly respected as hard workers. As fishermen, they saw New England while the Moors were still fighting for southern Spain around the turn of 1,000 A.D. They still make yearly trips to the Grand Banks. I remember one friend of mine in San Sebastian, the capital of the Spanish Basque province of Guipuzcoa—famous also as a playground for the European wealthy and unofficial summer capital of Spain—who delighted in telling me about his experiences in what, for a while, was the mysterious city of Ah—lee—fass. I finally tumbled that he was pronouncing Halifax.

I've gone out with the present-day Basques of Spain on their daily fishing excursions on ships fifty and sixty feet long. Before the sun is up, they've wet their nets in the Bay of Biscaye and have a deck tank filled (*Continued on page 92*)



by JOSEPH A. OWENS

Connecticut's Victorian Dilemma

FOR FORTY-SIX YEARS THE FUTURE OF Goodspeed's Opera House in East Haddam, Connecticut, has been endangered. The former glittering waterfront showplace has weathered demolition threats and grandiose restoration plans while remaining the most outstanding landmark on the Connecticut River south of Hartford—and a nostalgic bridge to the colorful era of steamboating on the waterway.

The one time pretentious and extravagant structure, now a deteriorating, neglected, empty shell, is an exact duplicate in miniature of the Paris Opera House. Silently, the white clapboard building reflects the best of a prosperous, gay period and the ambitious visions nourished by the "godfather of Connecticut River steamboating," William H. Goodspeed.

In 1876 the flamboyant Mr. Goodspeed, then fifty-six, constructed the Opera House on the east river bank. Though destined to be facetiously named "Goodspeed's Folly," it was a practical investment by a successful businessman.

Mr. Goodspeed's father, Nathaniel, one of the area's earliest settlers, had operated a general store on the site commonly known as "Goodspeed's Landing." The young Goodspeed instinctively recognized business prospects held by the river while not forsaking the villagers' trade.

Meanwhile business in the store was good. Mr. Goodspeed saw his need—a multi-purpose building to take advantage of opportunities at the front and back doors; and to cater to the tastes of the social elite and his own hobby, the legitimate stage. He had the finances and courage to undertake the project.

Stone for the massive bastion-like two-story foundation with openings on the river was quarried from a nearby ledge. This section included a dockhouse to service the boat slip. At front ground level were the general store and box offices. Immediately above were Mr. Goodspeed's business offices and dressing rooms for theatrical performers. The two top floors were devoted to the playhouse.

More than 600 people fingered the black walnut bannisters on opening night. A repertoire group presented the comedy play, "Charles II" and two farces, "Box and Cox" and "Turn Him Out."

Beneath the towering mansard roof first nighters expressed approval of the elabo-

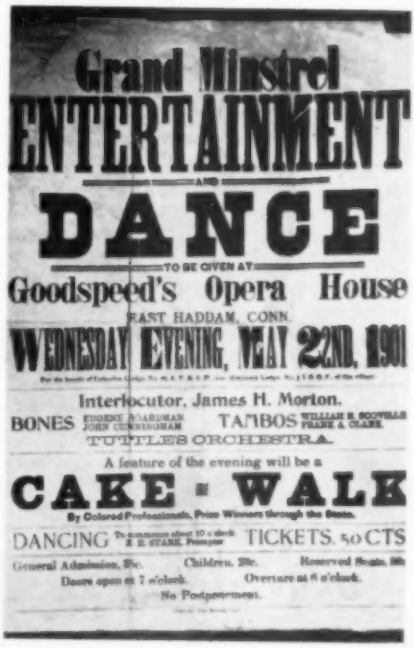
In its heyday, Goodspeed's Opera House catered to business on the water side, opposite page, and the land side, above. Below: A playbill for a 1901 minstrel show held after Goodspeed's death.

rate decor. It was the day of overornate steamboat saloons and Mr. Goodspeed adorned and furnished his theatre in the same manner. The boxes, horseshoe balcony, proscenium, and walls bore rococo designs in gold leaf.

The drop curtain set the atmosphere. Painted in brilliant colors by John A. Thompson of New York, it depicted the steamer "State of New York" upward bound passing Clark's Creek just below East Haddam.

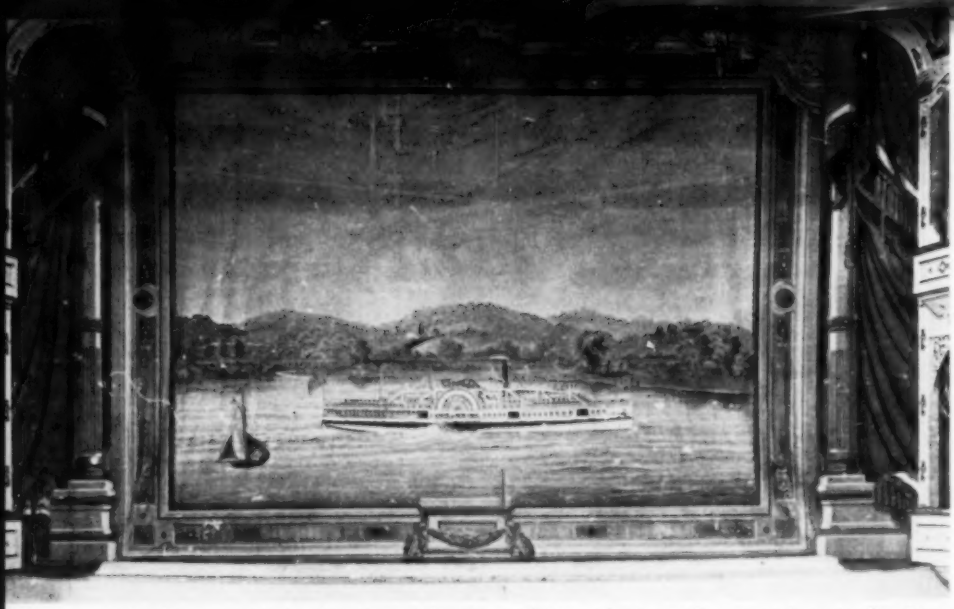
That steamer and her sisters taxied light-hearted groups up the Connecticut from New York and down from Hartford to Goodspeed's. Travelling to the theatre by steamboat was fashionable and convenient. After the side-wheelers docked, the smart set walked down the gangplank and up the stairs for "two on the aisle."

Talent as well travelled upriver. Mr. Goodspeed booked shows at Madison Square Theatre in New York and transported the troupes to and from East Haddam in steamers. Minnie Maddern Fiske played her repertoire, Amy Stone was seen in the melodrama "Pearls of Savoy or A Mother's Prayer," Effie Ellsler performed



Grand Minstrel
ENTERTAINMENT
AND
DANCE
TO BE GIVEN AT
Goodspeed's Opera House
EAST HADDAM, CONN.
WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 22ND, 1901

Interlocutor, James H. Morton.
BONES EUGENE CHARLTON JOHN CUNNINGHAM TAMBOS WILLIAM S. SCOVILLE FRANK A. CLARK
TUTTLES ORCHESTRA.
A feature of the evening will be a
CAKE - WALK
By Colored Professionals, Prize Winners through the State.
DANCING TICKETS, 50 CTS
General Admission, 35c. Children, 25c. Reserved Seats, 50c
Doors open at 7 o'clock. Overture at 8 o'clock.
No Postponement.



The drop curtain by Joseph A. Thompson of New York set the atmosphere in the Opera House. It depicts the sidewheeler State of New York *steaming up the Connecticut.*

in the title role she created in the New York hit "Hazel Kirk," humorist Josh Billings took the stage, phrenologists were frequent, and, of course, there were minstrel shows headed by the Bloodgood Minstrels. The social event of the season was "The Old Folks Ball," when the valley's finest families gathered. Orators Joseph R. Hawley, the Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, Orville Platt, Governor Morgan G. Bulkely, and Joseph L. Barbour along with a score more tested the acoustics.

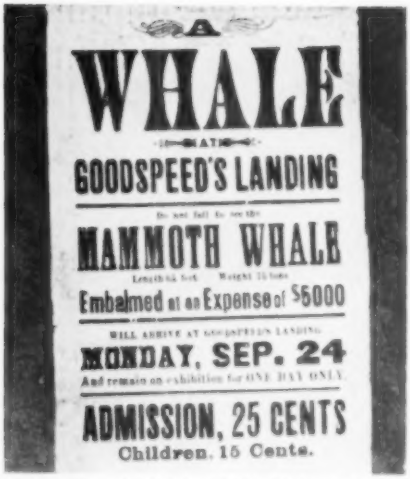
Goodspeed's Opera House was intimately associated with steamboating throughout the country. William Goodspeed was the "Vanderbilt of the Connecticut River." His uniquely conducted enterprises paid handsome dividends and allowed him to be one of the original incorporators of the Bank of New England, and a projector of the Connecticut Valley Railroad.

But these were part-time diversions. Mr. Goodspeed, who required little sleep, spent eighteen to twenty hours a day in his building. From an outside balcony four stories above the water he shouted directions to ship captains and dock workers. And it was from this platform that Mr. Goodspeed turned dilemma into dollars.

The largest and costliest side wheeler running New York to Hartford, the "State of New York," under the command of Captain Peter Dibble of Clinton, Connecticut, swung off her course to avoid hitting a tow boat. She struck a hidden river snag which ripped a six foot gash in her stern. The boat filled rapidly, though Captain Dibble managed to beach her. The baggage master, Sydney Sellew, was trapped and drowned.

Mr. Goodspeed, always an opportunist, took the passengers' minds off the tragedy with the suggestion that they stay at his hotel, enjoy the evening watching "Uncle Tom's Cabin" at the Opera House, and then the next morning view the preliminary raising operations for the damaged steamer.

It was perhaps his last obvious success. He died January 1, 1882 after financial losses in the Valley Railroad had taken much of his wealth. His death virtually closed the Opera House. Fruitless attempts to imitate his productions were made with professional talent; later with amateurs. The promotions didn't possess the Goodspeed touch.



The stage of Goodspeed's looks much different today than it did in 1876! Right: William Goodspeed was an opportunist and knew how to promote a goldmine such as a whale!

Since activity ceased, this monument to the Victorian Age's last days has been dangerously close to total destruction—and just as near to being refurbished as a theatrical shrine. Through the years the script has remained the same despite casting changes.

First the railroad held the axe above the many-dormered, twin-towered building. The Connecticut Highway Department moved on stage twenty-five years ago when mandated to operate the dock. Every so often the department voices intentions to tear down the structure. Various commissioners have pointed out that it is useless and a safety hazard.

Such remarks bring waves of protest from natives and show people. They will do anything to save Goodspeed's Opera House! The late William Gillette of Hadlyme, who immortalized Sherlock Holmes on the American stage, was the first to claim he was contemplating impressive rehabilitation measures.

Mr. Gillette did nothing. Stage and movie actress Katherine Hepburn of West Hartford vocally exceeded Mr. Gillette about twenty years ago. She was going to buy, dismantle, and move the building to California, so she said.

Along the way there has been much talk and no action. One group said negotiations had been completed to transplant Goodspeed's to a special shell which was to be constructed in the Blue Hills section of Hartford. That newspaper clipping has yellowed with the rest.

The historic old Opera House shorn of former elegance needs extensive repairs. The State Highway Department does not have a monument preservation fund. Commissioner Newman E. Argraves says there is no choice "but its ultimate removal." However, like so many before him, he isn't going to summon the wrecking crew prematurely. He has made his receptiveness to "any workable suggestions" known.

Once again the folks of East Haddam, historians, and thespians are alarmed. The air is filled with proposals as the melodrama continues: Will the landmark be destroyed? Or will it be saved?

After a run of nearly half a century the plot stays fresh, attracts top players, and commands an audience. Nothing William H. Goodspeed imported for his stage can be compared to it.

NAUTICAL

EVERY SUNDAY MORNING ONE COPY each of the Boston Sunday papers gets delivered six miles out to sea on the Boston Lightship—by a ghost.

Well, sort of, anyway.

It all began some thirty years ago. There was a Boston financier by the name of James Dean and he took a fancy to the men aboard the rough, bucking little red vessel at the mouth of the Boston harbor.

Well, you see, Mr. Dean was something of a yachtsman and liked to sail his yacht around the Massachusetts cape. He appreciated the fact that this ship was anchored there to send out beacons of light on dark and foggy days and nights to keep ships from going astray and getting into trouble.

Mr. Dean would sidle his yacht along the lightship and he got to know the Coast Guardsmen who manned the ship. He knew it was kind of a lonely, off-beat sort of life.

He figured that on Sundays, when most other people are off work and enjoying themselves, that these fellows on the lightship probably felt more desolate and lonely than ever. So he made it a point every Sunday morning to go out in his schooner to the lightship with the Sunday papers from Boston and give them to the men. He felt that was the least he could do.

The men appreciated it very much and they'd always invite Mr. Dean to come aboard and have Sunday dinner with them. If it was a nice day, and if Mrs. Dean was aboard—he wouldn't have wanted to keep her waiting for him at home—he'd generally accept the invitation.

This went on for fifteen years. And then one day Mr. Dean died.

He died on March 1, 1942. But that

Pat Reid prepares to take his armfull of Sunday papers out to the Boston Lightship.

NEWSBOY

by Harold Helfer

April the Sunday papers again began going out to the men in the lightship. They have been ever since.

It's almost as if Mr. Dean himself was still delivering them. He's responsible for them getting there, anyway. In his will he left $10,000 to the Permanent Charity Fund of Boston—but on one condition. That it see to it that every Sunday morning the Sunday papers go out to the men in the lightship.

Every Sunday morning, rain or shine, this takes place. For the last nine years the papers have been delivered in his lobster boat by Pat Reid, a retired school teacher and son of a Harvard classmate of James Dean. On stormy days it may take him several hours to achieve his objective.

The arrival of the papers, though, after all these years, is still considered something of an event and the 12-man crew usually turns out en masse and stand almost at ceremonial attention. None of the men there now were on duty when it all began three decades ago but they all sense the wonderment of the papers always getting there, as if it had been ordained and was a semi-miracle or something.

Someone else who gets a big kick out of this is Mrs. Dean, who still lives in Brookline, Massachusetts. "My husband was just terribly interested in these men," she recalls. "Often the boys would present us with a rug or some other piece of handiwork they had made in their spare time."

Pat Reid, who plays the part of James Dean's ghost in delivering these papers, often gets a drenching in his open lobster boat during the course of the paper delivery but he never complains. It has become a labor of love for him.

Pat says he doesn't know a nicer way to spend Sunday mornings.

Up the papers go! When it's a rough day a bucket is lowered down for the papers.

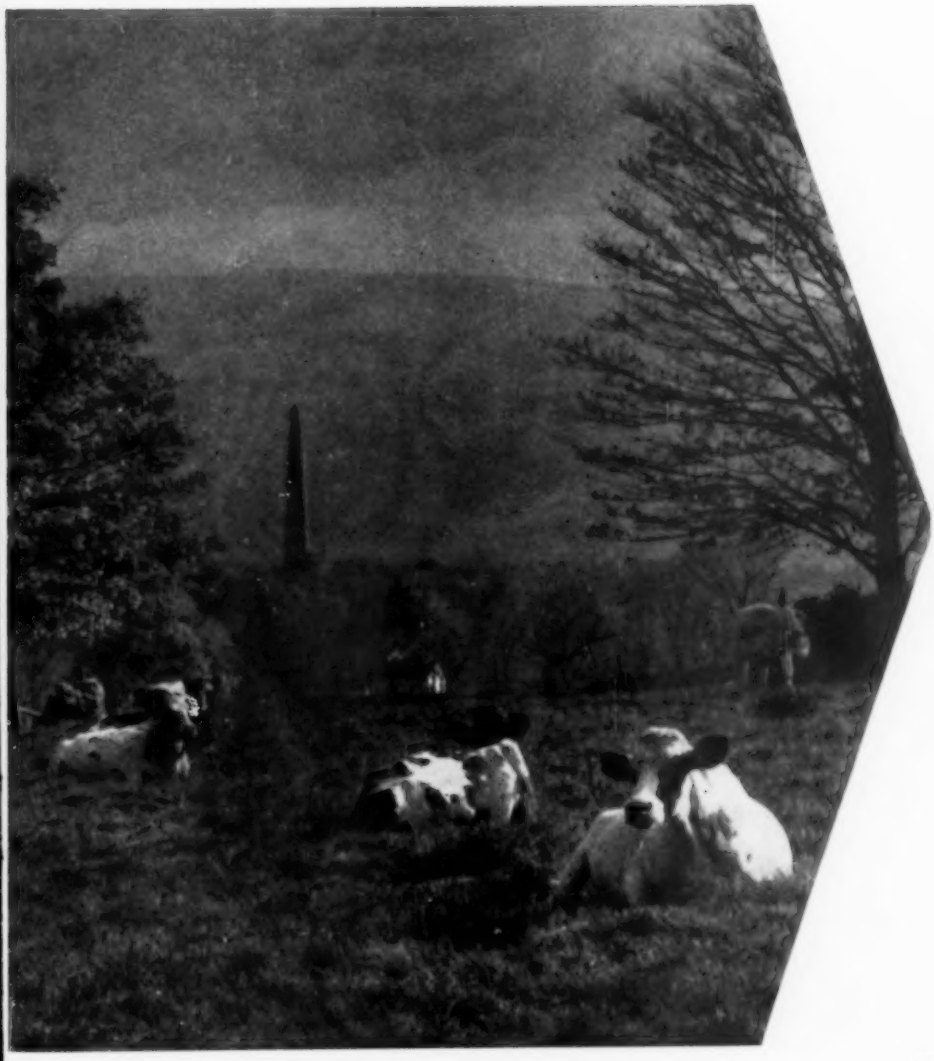
For Fall Foliage lovers, the twenty four mile trip from Bennington to Manchester, Vermont could not be more rewarding. Let's start at the junction of routes 7 and 9 in the center of Bennington, below. Headed north, we might see the campus of Bennington College, bottom, or headed toward New York state, the Bennington Battle Monument, opposite page.

THIS NEW ENGLAND

by LAWRENCE WILLARD

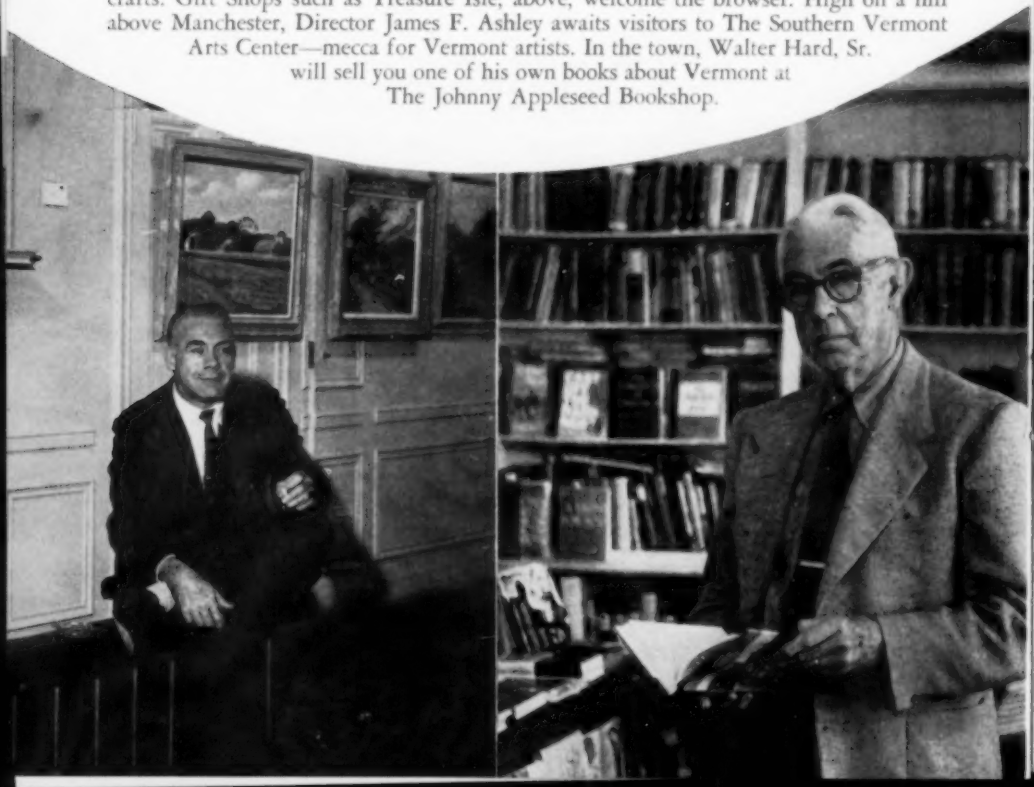
Bennington

to Manchester, Vt.



Back on Route 7, we see a Bennington College student studying in a field. If we prowled around the town before leaving, the statue of Lincoln outside the Historical Museum has imparted to us its symbols of Faith, Hope and Charity. After passing through Arlington, we are soon in Manchester, with its rolling Equinox Golf Course and golden-leaved trees on main street.

Manchester is a town ideally suited for tourists, sportsmen and lovers of arts and crafts. Gift Shops such as Treasure Isle, above, welcome the browser. High on a hill above Manchester, Director James F. Ashley awaits visitors to The Southern Vermont Arts Center—mecca for Vermont artists. In the town, Walter Hard, Sr. will sell you one of his own books about Vermont at The Johnny Appleseed Bookshop.



On a crisp October afternoon, you may find Tom Fitzsimons sitting outside his shop near the Post Office, carving away on one of the plaques which have made him famous. Blinded veteran Henry E. Reynolds has gained fame for his fine weaving which he sells at his own Colonial Crafts Shop. Slightly out of town, you will find the Landmark Gift Shop, run by Phyllis Binkley and Jean Viebrock.

Leaving small children in the town to play in piles of red and yellow leaves, we make our way to the toll road which climbs Mount Equinox. It is only at the summit, on Lookout Rock, that the full splendor of Fall Foliage can be seen. The town of Manchester, below, seems insignificant in comparison to nature's annual spectacle of the leaves! Here our tour ends, but we ask you, could you find any other more thrilling?

by Ora Dodd

"THE GAYSIDE OF WAYSIDE"

Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Hammerstein—move over! Your Broadway has no corner on smash musical hits, boffos, sellouts. In Wayland, Massachusetts, there's a theatre where May performances were sold out six weeks before tickets were printed, and where the rush for fall tickets started last spring. No union worries, either—not a penny to pay to actor, director, or scene-shifter. As for versatile composers—how about a man who writes music, lyrics, book, *and* plays*, a leading role himself, all to great acclaim?

Anyone who lives in the pleasant countryside of Weston - Sudbury - Wayland knows the Beatrice Herford Vokes Theatre, on the Wayland Post Road, a small frame building set amid trees and shrubbery. It is the pride and property of the Vokes Players, Inc. There are more players, as it happens, than seats in their theatre: more than 200 hard-working amateur players, and a theatre capacity of 125 seats.

Their sellout May musical, "The Gayside of Wayside," will be repeated, by request of all who couldn't get seats, on the weekends of October 17-18 and October 24-25. The author, composer, lyricist and star of this lively production is Wayland's challenge to Noel Coward, Francis W. Hatch, who in workaday life is vice president, director and Boston manager of the Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn advertising agency.

How the theatre grew from the cherished plaything of a retired actress into headquarters for the ambitious Vokes Players is a story in itself. Or perhaps a play.

Act I begins in 1904, when Beatrice Herford, young and charming, had already made a name for herself as the creator of the monologue. Long before the days of Ruth Draper and Cornelia Otis Skinner, she had created small comedies and dramas on a stage without props or scenery. An English girl, her audiences had ranged from a house party at Lady Margot Asquith's to the Keith vaudeville circuit.

She and her husband, Sidney Hayward, made their permanent home on his Wayland estate, and there, for diversion between engagements, she built a miniature theatre. It was plain enough outside, but inside were—and are—a balcony, four tiny boxes with red plush rails, red satin curtains, gold-framed mirrors, and a small gilded lion on the balcony newel post. Her friends of the theatre world came to visit and admire, left autographs and photographs. The walls of the minute foyer are covered with signed photos: Ethel Barrymore, Nora Bayes, George Arliss, Ellen Terry, John Drew. Miss Herford named her tiny theatre for Rosina Vokes, the British comedienne who had delighted her as a schoolgirl.

Act II begins some thirty years later, in June, 1937. Half-a-dozen players who had just borrowed the Vokes for a church

*Also magazine articles—see page 30

Scene in Ford Board Room during the "Gayside of Wayside." Hatch is at the right.

benefit play met to discuss forming a permanent dramatic group. They were almost afraid to ask Miss Herford for the use of her playhouse, but found she was happy to bestow it. She was made an honorary member and elected to the board of managers of the new Vokes Players. (In 1946, she presented the property to the Players, who incorporated to take title.)

In spite of its glamorous accessories, the bandbox theatre had many disadvantages in the early days. No heat, so plays must be given in spring or early fall (with mittens and mufflers worn at some rehearsals). Holes in the roof, defective wiring, an antiquated electric system, two tiny booths for dressing rooms, and a stage so flat that when an actor exited right, he had to run around the building outside if he wanted to reappear at left stage.

All these things the Vokes Players set about to improve, and did, with box-office receipts. They measure their progress not only by plays, but by improvements: 1947, gas heating system; 1952, new stage switchboard, basement for props, larger dressing rooms; 1956, cement floor in basement, new bathroom.

During the 1940's, Beatrice Herford's health had failed. She still went to premieres, but she could not walk: members of the Players carried her to the theatre in a marvelous sedan chair borrowed from the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. One of the Players often called to cheer her with theatre news and gossip, who listened to her reminiscences of the stage, was young Frank Hatch. Miss Herford knew of his talent for music, she hoped that he would write for Vokes. She had died before his first Vokes musical, "One On the Town," was produced in 1955, but anyone who knew Beatrice Herford must have felt that her indomitable spirit returned for that first night to her own special box, lower right of stage (her portrait hangs there now, and the Players keep the box vacant on opening nights).

Act III is set in 1958, and the hero is that same Frank Hatch, whose new musical, "The Gayside of Wayside," sets a Vokes record by requiring two extra weekends of performances this month (October). Mr. Hatch has been writing tuneful music since his Harvard and Hasty Pudding days. His "Gayside of Wayside" score includes not only romantic numbers like "Windmill Hill" and "This Thing is Bigger Than Both of Us," but sharp and amusing spoofs of the Ford Foundation, garden clubs, volunteer firemen, and the Wayside Inn. There are fifteen Hatch numbers in the six-scene musical. Forty players work backstage, thirty-five are onstage, and right in there singing and strumming his guitar is Francis W. Hatch himself, as Lem Snowden, a wandering minstrel. He—and the ardent Vokes Players—may not make Broadway fortunes, but they and their audiences certainly have more fun.

"Great Scott!

by Charles E. Gillis

If they ever get to reckoning which resort hotel in this country is the oldest—and still doing business—certainly one of the best claims to that impressive title may be made by that grand matriarch of American Resorts, the Poland Spring Hotels of South Poland, Maine. Now well into its 182nd vigorous and successful season, it is located in a verdant, lake-dotted countryside approximately twenty-six miles northwest of Portland.

Facts concerning its earliest past are not easily come by—professional travelers and historians, not to mention movie-makers seem to have overlooked it. Even those who enjoy its many splendid facilities may be unaware of its colorful and exciting historical backgrounds, and about the one family—the Rickers of Ricker Hill—who were associated with it for one hundred and forty-two years, and whose name will always be a part of its history. Many who unexpectedly come across this "castle in the woods"—the village of white and yellow buildings—stop their automobiles to gaze awhile and ask questions.

It was in 1794 while Washington was President that Jabez Ricker swapped his farm and grist mill in Alfred, Maine for property belonging to the Shakers of Sabbath Day. The area seemed a bit wild and desolate to the Rickers with their ten children, and they feared they had gotten the worst of the trade. But, no sooner had they gotten their bundles and boxes down from the wagon and into the closets and cupboards when their solitude was disrupted by the visit of weary farmers anxious to stop off on their way to the markets in Portland. And these were the first of a countless number of guests who followed.

Wentworth Ricker, son of Jabez, was alert to the opportunity here, and two years later in 1796, helped his father establish a more commodious residence—Mansion House—nucleus of the grand Ricker Estate, since embellished and extended into a king-size Colonial type gem. Portions of this original building are incorporated into the additions, and while the age is obvious, this serves only to enhance the total effect which is one of great charm and comfort. There is, for instance, a shelf remaining, supporting a jug

What a Hotel!"

whereof travelers did partake and were refreshed, and though the Rickers did not condone spirits for themselves, this shelf shows considerable wear and tear.

Later, Wentworth Ricker seems to have been instrumental in seeing to it that a new Paris to Portland road went right by the door of Mansion House. This harmed business not at all. Wentworth was succeeded as head of the household by Hiram Ricker.

There was a temporary lull in the guest business during which sheep raising and farming were extended to increase the family income. This was providential, for during this period two curious incidents occurred which meant a rebirth of the Ricker good fortune. While haying in the fields, Hiram drank from a cool fresh stream which oozed from a rock on the side of the Hill. A dyspeptic condition which had bothered him for some time was cured and he laid this to the water from the stream. His neighbors heard of this and much curiosity was aroused.

Also, as the story more or less goes, a neighbor's cow, ailing unto death with stomach trouble became completely well

Opposite page: The Poland Spring House in 1914. It looks about the same today. Above: Interior of the Spring House and below, the ornate State of Maine Building.

The Mansion House was the first building of the Poland Springs Development.

again—*after drinking regularly of the very same stream.* Other cures attributed to the water were recalled, and still others followed.

Now this was 1844 and "Spa Water" was beginning to catch on in Europe and America as the panacea for what ails you. Various fashionable resorts were getting their start due to their location near curative springs—and the waters were being shipped far and wide. And so it became with the waters of Ricker Hill, Poland. By 1859 it was shipped out in barrels all over the world, where ever pure, fresh, possibly medicinal water was needed—India, Cuba, Egypt, South America, etc.

The earliest advertisements for the water were outlandish in what they said the water would do for you, and the written testimony of respected physicians supported these claims. Presidents Grant and Garfield would drink no other water. It is still in world-wide demand, but the only claims made are that it is hygienically pure and palatable, which it certainly is, and that it won't do you any harm, which it certainly won't.

The first quart bottles of the water were designed in the shape of Moses with his water-finding rod. These "Moses Bottles" are regarded as genuine antiques by some collectors.

Only thirty-two years after Hiram's "Water Cure," the world famous Poland Spring House was built, almost as a monument to the Spring—atop Ricker Hill, only 500 yards from Mansion House. Native New England conservatism restrains me from describing this symphony of gables, towers, bays and balconies. FORTUNE MAGAZINE, not published in New England, pulled out all the stops when it said in 1949, "The Poland Spring House was designed with the prodigality of a Wagner opera and the verve of a Sousa march. It is probably the most exuberant resort hotel building in the world. Certainly few others approach its architectural fanfare and crash of cymbals. . . ." More than that, I cannot add.

It would take a separate volume to detail the Ricker genealogy at this point, but for the sake of clarification, the *Hiram* mentioned in the Company name, "Hiram Ricker and Sons," was the Hiram credited with the discovery and promotion of the Spring's curative powers. His three illustrious sons were Edward P. Ricker, who became hotel President, Alvan B. Ricker, Vice President, and Hiram W., Treasurer. All of these gentlemen were notable as tireless workers and the most considerate of hosts. But Hiram W., always identified everywhere by his full growth of red whiskers, was outstanding throughout the state and all New England for his great dedication to the development of Maine and New England as recreational areas.

POLAND

MINERAL WATER.

Cures Dyspepsia. Cures Liver Complaint of long standing. Cures Kidney Complaint. Cures Gravel. Drives out all Humors and Purifies the blood. For proof of the above, parties may visit the Spring and use the water, or they may buy of Dr. HALEY, the only authorized agent for Brunswick and vicinity.

P. S. Board at the Spring can be obtained from $2,-50 to $3,50 per week. Address

HIRAM RICKER, Poland.

An 1860 circular advertising Poland Water. Note prices for board and room!

He founded the Maine Publicity Bureau and worked on the Maine Development Commission. So popular and successful was he, an influential group of friends once urged him to accept nomination for Governor of Maine, which he quite vehemently refused to do. To soften the blow of refusal he treated his disappointed admirers to a grand dinner at Mansion House.

An outstanding feature of the Poland Spring House is the view from the extensive verandas (lined with huge old Ricker Rockers). Three lakes can be seen, and of course, the gorgeous, no-two-alike sunsets —sunsets that are watched for, some giving a rosy tinge to the whole landscape, some interestingly strange in their cloud formations and odd coloring, some forboding of wild storms, others highlighting the distant New Hampshire ranges at twilight more clearly than they are ever seen during the day. The fullest effect of the four seasons can be observed in all their variety and moods from this height.

A third most impressive edifice was added to the estate, now encompassing 5000 acres when, in 1893, the building which was constructed entirely of Maine materials for the Columbian Exposition in Chicago was actually dismantled there, delivered via special cars to the Hill, reerected in a pine grove, and dedicated with great spirit and pride as the State of Maine Building. Curious in design, it is octagonal in shape, and sports four smart, circular turrets. Oak paneled and relic-filled, it houses works of art, a 10,000 volume library, and a curio room where, among other things, Diamond Jim Brady's fruit bowl rests in apparent resignation beside a full dress regalia of a Temperance Union. The sleeping rooms here are so well appointed that guests who may have had doubts about spending an evening in such a unique building, removed from the excitement of the big house, usually find it a delightful novelty and ask for it again when they return.

It is difficult to choose among these three buildings, the Mansion House with its quaint furnishings and a lobby which is the first word in charm, or the Poland Spring House for its grandeur and commanding position, or the State of Maine Building for its singularity.

Not many hotels have chapels, but there is a permanent stone Church opposite the Maine State Building which many a community would envy. All faiths worship here and guests mingle with employees without distinction.

Overexpansion seems to have been one factor contributing to the decline of the Ricker estate, which culminated in its being acquired by the Clark-Babbit Industries of Boston in 1942. Few people realize that (*Continued on page 102*)

Here, There and

An iron elk in Northfield seems to listen for the Indian hunter seen below.

ANYONE RIDING THROUGH TILTON, New Hampshire (by train, bus, or car) is taken with the display of odd statuary in this town. Indians, lions, bodyless horses, gals with baskets of fruit, even a triumphal arch, are as much a part of the landscape as are the trees. Reticence in these matters on the part of natives rather understates their attitude. In fact, the subject of who removed the statue of the Eagle from the island in the Winnepesogoe River which flows through town just is not brought up in polite society.

If we are to believe Fred Smart in the Franklin *Journal Transcript* (1948) and an unnamed author in the Franklin *Merrimack Journal* (August, 1873), we may consider these statues the gifts of one Charles Elliot Tilton during the 1880's. Mr. Tilton, born in 1827 in what was then Sanbornton Bridge (Belknap County), lived, in view of his liberal gifts, to enjoy having his birthplace named after him. He contributed to church and schools, built the Town Hall, improved the cemetery, equipped the Fair Grounds, planted trees, donated a business block, helped build the depot, and spotted these statutes here there and everywhere.

Following the custom of styles set by other Empire Builders, his compatriots in California where he made his fortune (Crocker, Sutro, Flood, Harrington, and Stanford), it was his idea that, as in the famous Sutro Gardens and Golden Gate Park of San Francisco, erecting statues was the most admirable way to use one's riches—the more statues the better.

The Indian Queen on Tilton Common, holding an arrow head, standing on an alligator and ten foot pedestal, is of fine Italian marble.

by FREDERICK W. COLE

Everywhere

The Indian Chief in Railroad Square is Squantum, befriender of the Plymouth settlers. Not far from the Chief is a neo-classical three dimensional feminine figure holding an horn of plenty and with a two dimensional head and paws of a lion at its base.

Another marble statue, said to have been brought back from London in 1882, as was that of the latter of the two just mentioned, rests her hand on a horse's (sans body) head and has acquired the title, out of sympathy with a B & M jingle, of "Time Table Mabel."

At the foot of the hill on which Mr. Tilton's magnificent mansion (surrounded also by statues) was erected, the philanthropist made an octagonal island in the middle of the river, connected it with the mainland, and opened it to public pleasure. The island was dominated, apparently, by the figure of an eagle, standing on a beehive, the symbol of the State of Utah.

Northfield (Merrimack County) is the small town separated from what is now Tilton (Sanbornton Bridge, Belknap County, of earlier days) now boasts, however, of Mr. Tilton's greatest monument of all—an huge arch facing his residence. This is the only replica in this country of one built by Emperor Titus in Rome in 79 A.D. Obviously the lion guarded sarcophagus beneath this arch was meant for the donor's burial place. However, as Northfield was unable to change its name when Sanbornton Bridge did, there being a State Law against having the same town name in two different counties, Charles Elliot Tilton now rests in, as he requested, Tilton, and the sarcophagus on the hill is empty.

An Indian maid seems to salute the empty tomb, above, destined to enshrine Tilton.

Foregone Conclusion

ROBERT T. STAFFORD, REPUBLICAN, poses on Sunday, July 20th, at Plymouth Notch, Vermont as the "next governor of Vermont." Mrs. Stafford smilingly agrees. The incredible intrenchment of the Republican Party in Vermont is unique in American Democracy—so much so that "nomination" really means "election." In any event, any system which establishes such a charming couple as the Staffords in the gubernatorial mansion is worth having.

Poetry

Garden of Error

LAWRENCE P. SPINGARN

The heat is over. Frost, returning
With wind to pile the leaves for burning,
Crackles like fire, whines in terror:
The crop we sowed is ripe with error.

We planted well. We watered deep
And plucked a greener branch from sleep,
But now we nod and watch the snow
Blessing the seed that would not grow

Upward and fair, into the light;
Half of its yield belonged to night
And sought deep refuge underground:
The useless part we reaped and bound

Nourished the ribs of circumstance.
Paupers would see this at a glance
But seasons change, and with them men:
Age can not dig this earth again.

A Backwashed Hamlet

(*Near Peterborough*)

J. V. CROWLEY

Boards unpainted, gray as a sail,
The first house turned to a barn,
And the virile pioneers turned too,
No more than rock-bent trash.

The meadow bends with jagged weed,
The cows tread hard on rock.
Here the game is a chicken
And children the sullen hunters.

What takes the residue, that brain
And a thin and sallow look.
What keeps the line, a surly myth:
Son unto son, and unto son the land.

The whole world once, and a clear run pond
After the stumps were out;
Then rock and dust and civil strife
Running the center over the hill.

Brief is the reign of goals put down.
Quick is the fall of heaven:
Boards unpainted, gray in the rain,
The first house turned to a barn.

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Behind the wall of quarried stone,
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and when the last high twig bends,
against the wind, the lower branches,
like scratching hands, appeal
for passers-by to enter in.

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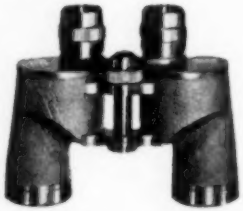

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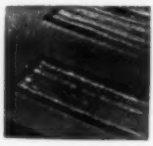

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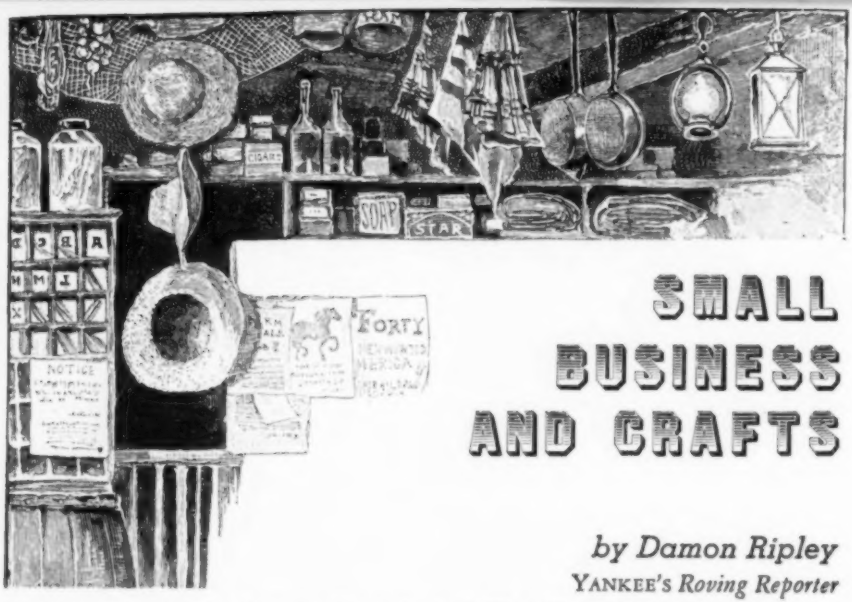

SMALL BUSINESS AND CRAFTS

by Damon Ripley
YANKEE'S *Roving Reporter*

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RAT-A-TAT-TAT

Michael Healy, 77-year-old Bethlehem, Connecticut resident, is a busy craftsman at his house where he turns out custom-made drumsticks for fife and drum corps in the Eastern states.

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Sando Bologna

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What began as an idea in Mrs. Weeden's mind became a reality in June when the Highway Hotel in Concord became "a home and marketplace" for Granite State artists. Crowds visited the showrooms and came away convinced that this was the place to come if you were interested in buying, or simply looking at, the best native art products.

Though customers will disagree in their opinions on the quality of talent represented here, all have to admit there is much variety. Although paintings dominate the exhibit, sculptures, prints, woodwork and enamels are available too. The gallery has drawn on the best of the state's established talent and a goodly portion of younger and newer artists. This combination of the old and the new, the constant and changing elements which make up this society, is one key to the understanding of the New England character. Visitors to this newest of showrooms for native talent will be charmed by its exhibits, intrigued by the hostess, and convinced that in a changing world there is much that is constant.

Thomas W. Leavitt

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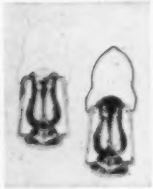

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►Before I get going again with tips on gifts for Christmas—and it's getting nearer every day—I'd like to mention two events which should be of interest to YANKEE readers.

►The first is The Boston Printmakers 11th Annual Exhibition to be held at the Museum of Fine Arts during the month of October. YANKEE sponsors the "Yankee Citation" again this year and we will try to publish the winner in a future issue. Before that, however, go see the show yourself.

►The second event is the Third Annual Craftsmen's Fair of the Norwell Art Association of Norwell, Massachusetts which will be held on Saturday, October 4 from 10:00 A.M. to 8 P.M. at the First Parish Church, Norwell Center (off Route 123). Mrs. Robert Litchfield and Mrs. John Clark are co-chairmen of this interesting show. You may remember our coverage of the first fair, three years ago, at which time the high standards and variety of work was shown. Application blanks will be forwarded by Mrs. Litchfield to any interested craftsmen who receive this issue in time for the date. Otherwise, make a note to apply for one next year, early in September.

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►Undoubtedly the best known church in the United States is Christ Church of Boston. More familiarly known as The Old North Church of Paul Revere fame, it is visited by an average of 1000 people a day during the summer. I have recently received a four page newspaper, *The Old North Steeple,* published by the Vicar and available at 10c per copy. It contains interesting notes and photographs about the Church and what goes on there. Also a listing of items available from the Church's Gift Shop—note paper, coasters, charm replica of the famous lantern for a bracelet, map of Paul Revere's ride, map of Boston and book about the Church, all of which would make interesting and inexpensive gifts. Write the Vicar, Old North Church, 193 Salem Street, Boston, Mass. and enclose your dime.

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►I wish I had the space in which to reprint what I consider the funniest testimonial letter I have ever read. If you'd like to read it yourself, write Gilbert M. Dunn, Duncraft, Penacook, New Hampshire and he'll send you his folder with the letter reproduced on it. Mr. Dunn, incidentally, makes a bird feeding station, complete with bird bath pool, called "Flight Deck." It sells for $7.95 and is recommended by the National Audubon Society. The subject of the letter written to Mr. Dunn is what happened to a cat who tried to molest some birds on the Flight Deck. Quick—send for the folder, now!

►Want to become an importer of foreign materials. Bendien's World Service will help you get started. For a subscription of $4.50 they will send you *International Review*, will print inquiries in it, and will generally assist you. Their U. S. Agent is Robert W. Linley, Jr., 411 Romanock Road, Fairfield, Connecticut and he will have a free copy of the *Review* sent you if you drop him a line.

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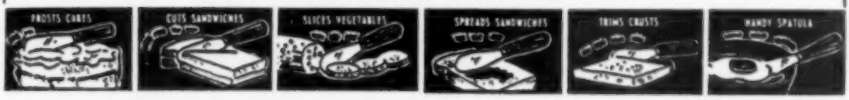

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bag doll sold by Pure Silk Products, Box 404, Westwood, Massachusetts. Muriel Pierpont is the originator of B-Bo, as well as of an extensive line of handmade neckties, belts, bill folds, watch straps, etc. The gimmick is that all the items are made out of really beautiful printed silk or fine cotton materials. You'll have to see the catalog to appreciate the variety of prints available. Send off for one today—and don't forget Mr. B-Bo.

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►Contemporary triptychs, abstract angels and stately church architecture illustrate the hand printed Christmas cards from Brother Robert's Studio, Mohegan, Connecticut. The

cards are silk screened in limited editions. His drawings and prints are published in *Methodist Motive* magazine and are sold through the Society of Connecticut Craftsmen and in shops in New England.

►Here's another show! The Rhode Island Wellesley Club will hold an exhibit of heirloom hooked rugs at the Old Slater Mill Museum, Pawtucket, Rhode Island from October 4th through the 19th. The museum is open Tuesdays, Saturdays, 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.: Sundays from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M.

►According to J. C. Reid of Heritage House, 615 Lincoln Avenue, Pittsburgh 2, Pa., a new glue he sells called Liquid Glass will "mend everything but broken hearts." From the list of testimonials he included with a sample bottle, I guess he's right. I tried fixing the tea pot handle and I must admit you can hardly see the crack and the handle shows every sign of staying put. Liquid Glass is $1.00 ppd from Heritage House.

►Sascha Maurer, who lives in Gaylordsville, Connecticut travels all about New England painting houses and motels. He doesn't use a ladder and a paint bucket, however, but a pallet and a fine brush. His paintings of the inns and motels are used to make colored postal cards, for instance, which are sold or sent out by the hostel in question. Sometimes Sascha makes drawings which can be reproduced by silk screen, if only a limited number of cards are desired. Whatever his methods, his paintings are truely beautiful and if you run an inn or a motel, you would be well advised to have its "portrait" painted by Mr. Maurer.

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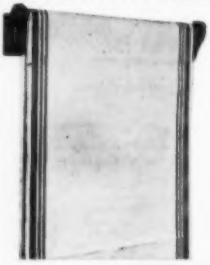

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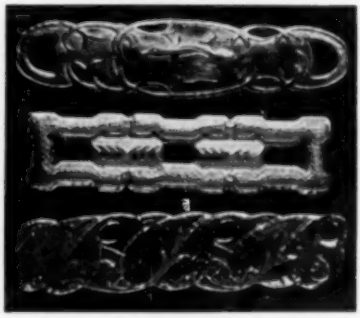

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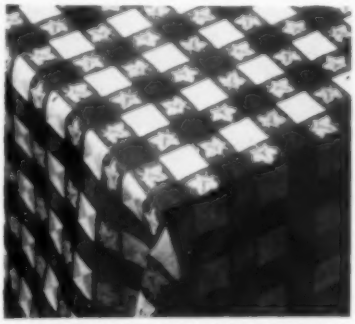

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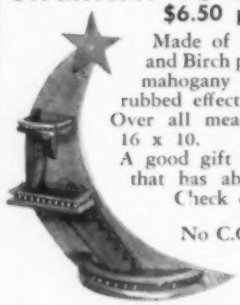

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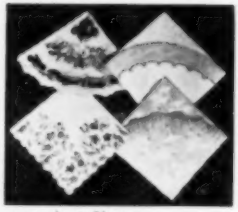

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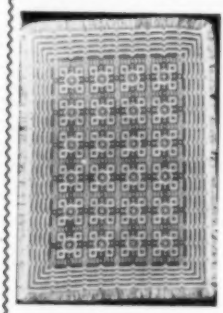

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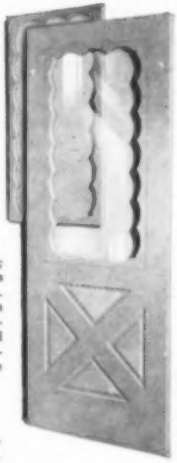

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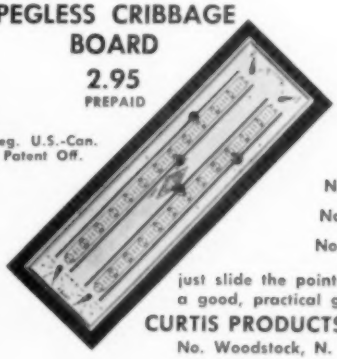

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Roadside Harvest

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an avid health-food enthusiast. Here I worked with seaweed, ripe figs, whole wheat and unpolished rice and arrived at a stunning effect, adapted peculiarly—is that the word I want—anyway, something that complemented her strikingly. She later told me that my centerpiece was one of the few things that could bring a spot of color to her husband's pale cheek.

Now, I really must run and let you ladies go home to the more mundane affairs of dinner and homemaking—but, I hope refreshed and with a new perspective.

Remember. Glamorize! Whenever you have dull materials, glamorize. Remember tendrils for fashioning main structural lines, and lichen, moss, or even the pedestrian pine cone, for balance to prevent your arrangements from becoming top-heavy.

For any of you who feel that this has been too much to absorb at one fell swoop, there is always my book on the table as you go out, which can be taken home and nibbled at in odd moments.

Usually I have my audiences write little notes for a question and answer period about now, although I am afraid we will not have time for that today. But if anyone would care to raise her hand and ask a question from the floor. . . ? No hands? Then God bless you all for another year—and until another autumn harvest.

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With simplicity the key word in modern design and fussiness anathema, we are not surprised to find in our photograph a very modern Burlington Fiberglas drapery fraternizing happily with an equally modern Lytespan lamp by Lightolier and a not-modern-at-all Shaker chair.

There's a reason for everything, I like to think, and here there surely is: simple, unpretentious design brings all three furnishings into a harmonious relationship. In an artistic sense there is nothing old or new about the chair. It is just simply and most beautifully made, as is the contemporary drapery, designed and hand-blocked by Dan Cooper. The Lytespan is completely functional in design. On the surface strangely disparate, the three have no quarrel with each other.

As to the Burlington Fiberglas, the easy folds of the drapery represent only one of many happy aspects. Ignored by moths and mildew, completely fireproof, this extraordinary material has a glassy surface that sheds dust. You just occasionally wipe it off without even taking the draperies down, and in the very long run, dip in suds, rinse, and hang to dry. No ironing ever!

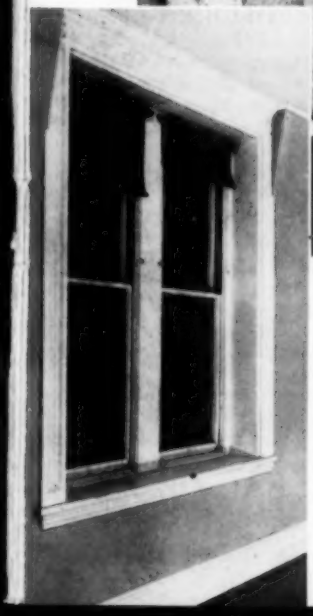
Also, I think these draperies are within the reach of all of us. Most women who sew are familiar with *The Singer Sewing Book*, and *The Singer Home Decoration Guide*. Both are excellent in indicating step-by-step techniques. And of course in most communities there is the practical help afforded by visiting the local Singer Sewing Center for assistance in all home furnishings or other sewing projects.

As fine a material as the Fiberglas is, the fixtures from which it hangs have a good deal to do with the final effect. These are expertly contrived by the Kirsch people to open the draperies or draw them shut without a hitch. Designing draw drapery fixtures must be a mechanical nightmare, considering the thousand windowframe conditions and dimensions, but Kirsch grapples with the problem successfully, and also manages to make the fixtures very attractive. An attractive feature is the Kirsch cord tension pulley which keeps the draw cords taut and easy to handle.

Switching our attention to another part of the house, we see in the second photograph how an old-fashioned iron bathtub has been retired behind a glamarous-looking Jakson shower curtain. This particular curtain pattern is called "Oceania," and shows in a casual abstract way aquatic flora and tropical shells against a "tinted dawn" background. The material is waterproof Koroseal film. An individual touch is the hanging of the curtain on a piece of ordinary bamboo cut just a quarter of an inch too long so that it will jam into place, supplementing the exotic design and avoiding the problem of fixtures on out-of-line walls. Matching curtains for the bathroom window contribute to the pleasing effect.

YANKEE'S COOK O' THE MONTH

A favored few of us can be just as certain of the appearance of coot or duck or pheasant on our tables each autumn, as of the opening of the hunting season. Others go along cooking quietly for years without facing the very special problems involved in dealing with a game bird.



Duncan MacDonald stands before Dan Cooper's "Metropole" draperies and shows what a few well-chosen furnishings can do. The unattractive window, insert, is completely hidden. Also hidden, but doing its job perfectly, is the drapery rod by Kirsch. The etching is by Joseph Pennell, lamp by Lightolier. Duncan is heard every weekday at 10:05 A.M. over the Yankee Network.

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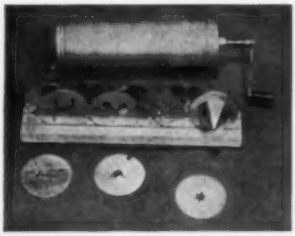

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All of us can be thankful for the new cook book, "Game Cookery," by Raymond Camp. Mr. Camp, who lives in Madison, Connecticut, has been an avidly practicing hunter, fisherman, and gourmet all over the world for most of his life. Of course he communed with his kind in the duck blind, the kitchen, and the dining room—with reciprocal benefits all around. For twenty years Mr. Camp distributed these benefits freely to readers of the *New York Times* through his column "Wood, Field, and Stream." Now the high points of his culinary experiences are brought together in a text that makes interesting and sometimes hilarious reading. Here are a few of his recipes to keep you busy until you can get to the bookstore:

Barnstable Coot Stew

The "coot," in this instance, is not a coot, but a scoter, or, if you want to be truly technical, a *Melanitta Perspicillata.* Along with two close cousins, it is known as coot in the coastal waters of the Atlantic from Maine to Long Island. It is, undoubtedly,

"Harlequin" — another Jakson curtain.

the most maligned game bird in the United States, both from the sporting viewpoint and as a table delicacy. The late Luis Henderson was not a Cape Codder, but he frequented that area, and he inevitably returned with new and succulent recipes for assorted chowders and stews. This one, he admitted, included a few personal touches that improved the interest as well as the flavor.

breasts of three "coots"
2 medium onions
2 cloves of garlic
2 bay leaves
3 cloves
½ tsp. tarragon
¼ lb. salt pork
1 tomato
salt
freshly ground black pepper
1 tbs. cider vinegar

Remove all of the fatty tissue (*all* of it) from the coot breasts, place them in a small crockery bowl and cover them with a marinade of the following—two medium onions sliced thin, two minced cloves of garlic, two bay leaves, three cloves, 1 tablespoon of

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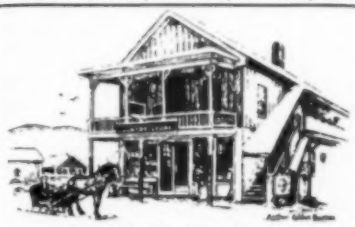

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Squirrel Marsala

This is a somewhat exotic recipe to come from Maine, but it arrived via Elmore Wallace, a former Sea and Shore Fisheries Warden who "had it from a friend who knew a man who cooked for an ex-prince." The whole situation is complicated, but Elmore is not, and the recipe is truly different.

4 squirrels
1 cup chicken stock
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In a saucepan place 1 cup of chicken stock, ½ cup of dry white wine, 1 tablespoon of parsley, 1 grated carrot, 2 minced onions, ¼ teaspoon of chervil, 1 pinch of marjoram and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to simmer, place lid on saucepan and simmer for 30 minutes. Force through a sieve and put stock to one side. In a large skillet melt ¼ pound of butter and in it saute four squirrels that have been cut in serving sections and rubbed with salt and pepper. Saute over medium flame until well browned, reduce to low heat and add the stock, scraping and stirring. Place a cover on the skillet and simmer for 10 minutes, stirring oc-

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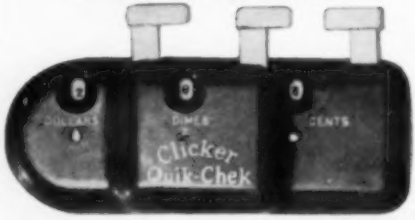

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—as does any other Basque word resemble its Latin translation.

A strictly non-scientific friend of mine, the Brooklyn-born bull fighter Sidney Franklin, tried to tell me the Basques came from Ireland. "Ancient Gaelic is easily understood by the Basques," he told me by way of explanation. It turned out that on a certain historical occasion, a shipload of Basques was once wrecked on Irish shores. They stayed and mixed Gaelic and Basque in that one certain area. But that was in historical times.

By way of a clincher, he asked me, "And what's the typical Basque musical instrument?"

"The txistu, or flute," I replied.

"Wrong again," my friend from the world of bulls said. "The bagpipe, just like in Ireland."

I let the discussion stop there. Bagpipes are played in the Spanish province of Galicia—not in the Basque Country—and in parts of Ireland populated by Scots. But I decided we'd best talk about bull fighting; on this, he was an expert.

Basque names are good examples of what the language sounds like, and good indications that they aren't related to another language—such as Jauregui, Zuatzagui, Ocha, Donostia and Diabarrat, to name a few; or even the family name of my close Guipuzcoa friends, Aguirrezabalaga. Some Spanish Basques have shortened this to Aguirre and outsiders think this is a pure, Castillian name.

Ochoa is a good Basque name; up on the Atlantic coast, by the Saint Lawrence River, is an ancient village called Port au Choix; this is as close as the French Canadians

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could come to its original Basque name, Port Ochoa. Other name evidences of Basques on our coast is the Canadian island, Ile aux Basques, or physical evidences exist such as the stone light house-like tower at Newport, Rhode Island, (YANKEE, March 1954) now quite well established scientifically as of Basque origin.

But the proof I like best I heard an old man tell about during one of those wonderful family gatherings in that land where there is no television, rarely a radio; where the family is still a unit, and on the cold winter evenings, everyone gathers in front of those generous fireplaces around which any Basque home is built, and sea songs are sung, the *bota,* or wine skin is passed around, and old men tell the stories they heard their grandfathers tell; this is the original and authentic way history is passed down through the generations. What is even more remarkable, I later saw this story given the stamp of approval by a historian in a book published in London under the

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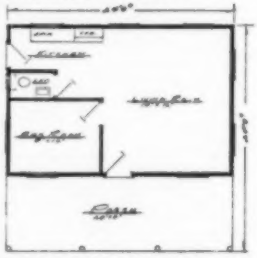

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The Basque captain looked Columbus up and down a moment, as if he didn't believe that the commander of three ships hadn't heard where the Basques go every year, then gently replied, "Yes. There is land in the direction of the setting sun."

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"Salute to Rhode Island" is the title of the Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs Fall Flower Show, scheduled for the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th, at Rhodes-on-the-Pawtuxet, 60 Rhodes Place, Edgewood. This will be the first state-wide flower show held in nineteen years in little Rhody; fall fruits, vegetables, flowers and shrubs will be used in a series of competitive and artistic exhibits. Rain or shine, noon to nine at night. There's a Columbus Day Concert at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence, and a Chicken Barbecue in Coventry, both on the 12th, and a Chrysanthemum Display in Providence from the 12th to the 20th. . .

In Vermont, 4th to 12th, the Eighth Annual Fall Exhibition of the work of Southern Vermont Artists at the Southern Vermont Art Center in Manchester, ten to five. Less esthetic, but still very much on the artistic side are the Chicken Pie Suppers held in Manchester on the 1st, at the First

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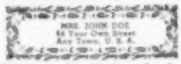

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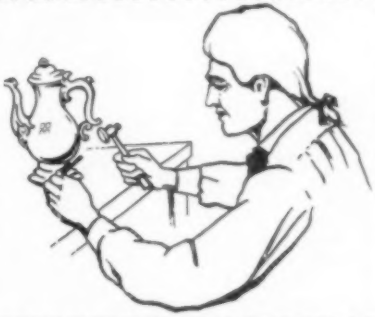

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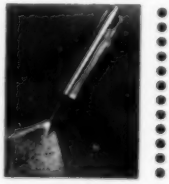

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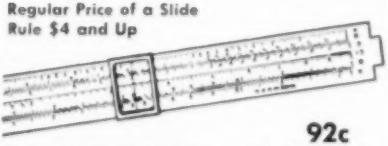

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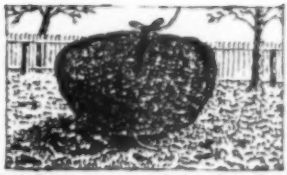

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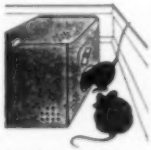

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the Samoset in Rockland (which strikingly resembles the Poland Spring House) and the Mt. Kineo House on Moosehead Lake, as well as the Ricker Hotel in Augusta, Georgia were Ricker affiliates at one time or another. But one really lavish expenditure which must have given the budget a blow was the construction in 1912 of Riccar Inn. Built to accommodate guests, chauffeurs and/or employees, it too, verges on the grandiose, with a couple of towers, bays and balconies of its own, and, naturally, a veranda that runs the full front of the building. A contrasting note of modernity was added when a goodly portion of the first floor was revamped to become the home of the Mt. Washington Television Studio where the "live" programs originate.

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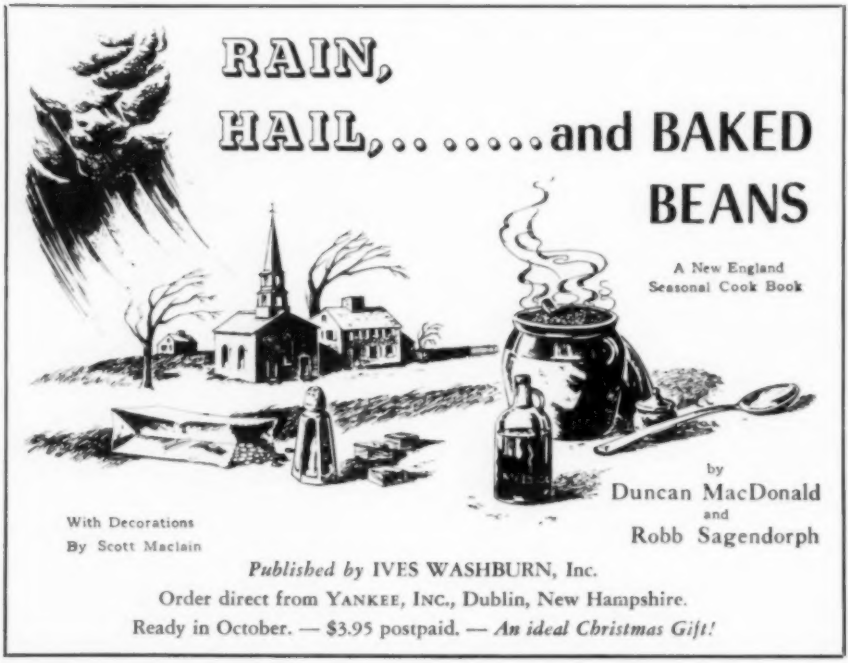
American Clocks and Clock Makers by Carl W. Drepperd, 312 pages. Charles T.



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Provincetown Profiles and Others on Cape Cod by Frank Crotty, 146 pages. Barre Gazette, Barre, Massachusetts. $5.00. Word profiles of Provincetown habitants, mostly artists—some year-round, summer residents—written by a well-known Worcester newspaperman.

Putt-Putt Skipper by Hildreth T. Wriston, 223 pages. Illustrations by Albert Orbaan. Farrar, Straus and Cudahy, New York. $3.00. Summer doings of a boy, his boat and a bigger boy with a houseboat. What he learns, his mistakes, his pleasures, make him ready for the emergency that arises when the houseboat gets set adrift.

Jane, Dear Child by Jane Sewall, 198 pages. University of Colorado Press, Boulder, Colorado. $3.50. This book, written by the daughter of the first president of the University of Colorado, weaves the dauntless spirit of a New England family around those early years of the University. Robert L. Stearns, ex-president of the University, calls the book "an autobiography" rather than a history, for Miss Sewall writes with few dates and events but with her feelings for the purposes and hopes that go especially into the early years of any project. Being sold to benefit the Radcliffe College Development Fund.

Ginny's First Secret by Lee Kingman, illustrated by Hazel Hoecker. Phillips Publishers, Inc., Newton, Massachusetts. $2.95. The Ginny doll, favorite friend of many a child, takes to traveling out West and up the Mississippi. Entertainment and a lesson for little girls.

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A Yankee's Odyssey—The Life of Joel Barlow—by James Woodress. 347 pages including notes and index. J. B. Lippincott Company, Philadelphia. $5.95. Between Barlow's birthplace (Connecticut) and his deathplace (Poland) lies a success story of poor plowboy to wealth and international reputation. A brief business trip to Europe after the American Revolution turned into a seventeen-year stay. His varied experiences during French Revolutionary times fitted him to be chosen by his country to do the bargaining with the Dey of Algiers for release of American

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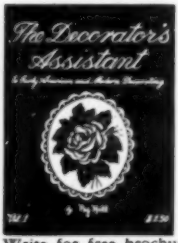

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Northeast Folklore, Spring, 1958, Vol. 1, No. 1, 18 pages, typewritten reproduction. Quarterly compendium Northeast Folklore Society, 220 Stevens Hall, Orono, Maine. One dollar buys membership in the Society and four quarterly issues.

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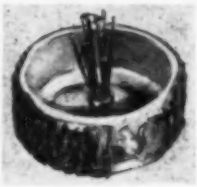

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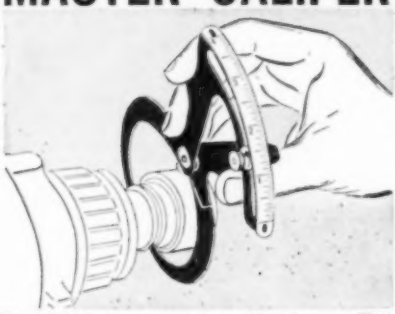

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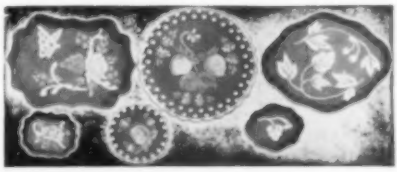

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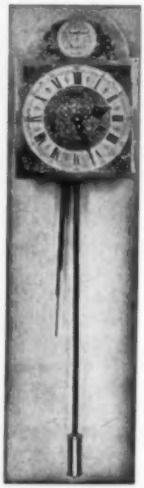

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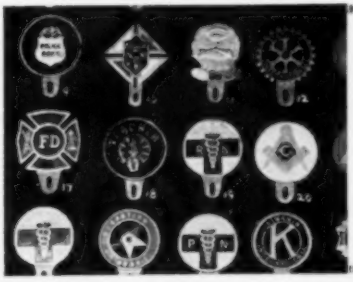

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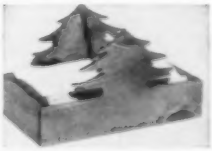

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